



8TH EASTERN
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DIVISION ONE

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Special points of interest:

Auxiliary Flotilla
Leadership Course



Students From Our
Division I

(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

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Auxiliary Flotilla Leadership Course

This course was on 28 September and taught by DCAPT -W Leo Yakutis and IPDCDR Tom Foreman. It began at 0830 and finished at 1630 at American Legion Post 3 in Broad Ripple. It was a working breakfast (bagels and coffee) and lunch (pizza and soft drinks).

Some of the subjects were:

- Flotilla Organization
- The Flotilla Calendar
- Flotilla Administration
- Meetings
- Member Development
- Courtesy and Protocol
- Leadership



DCAPT-W Leo Yakutis Giving His Presentation

(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)



IPDCDR Tom Foreman Presenting the Course

(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

It is an excellent course led by two (2) outstanding instructors. A required course by all wanting to become a Flotilla Commander (FC). We look forward to those future FC candidates. And hope to groom those wishing to become an FC.





Overall View

(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

AUXDATA-II Training

On 19 October 2024, IPDCDR Tom Foreman had a training on the above subject at American Legion Post 3 in Broad Ripple. It started at 0930 and finished at 1330. It was an excellent way to learn how to place your activities into your U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary records.

Those attending was Instructor Tom Foreman, Bob Fiers, Dan Gillahan, DCDR Michael Richardt



Tom Foreman Instructing Dan Gillahan

(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

“... then practice, practice, practice.”



Bob Fiers, Tom Foreman and Mike Richardt

(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

tered my activity took about 5 minutes. It was all a process of learning. I was amazed how fast I did it the second time. The secret is to learn, then practice, practice, practice. I hope all can enter their own activities and feel comfortable doing it.



Skip Nunweiler

(photo by: Selfie)

and Past DCAPT-W R. J. “Skip” Nunweiler.

No matter what activity you are involved in AUXDATA II is the final resting place for your records. It was a way to show any member how to enter their own activities and get proper credit. There are times an error was made, but that error is returned to you for clarification. I recall the first time I entered my activity and it took about 45 to 50 minutes to enter my activity. The second time I en-



Display Screen of Broad Ripple Post 3

(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

Indianapolis Veterans Day Parade

Veterans Day is celebrated on 11 November every year. At one time it was called Armistice Day which recognized the end of World War I. At that time it was the war that ended all wars. We all know what transpired according to recent history. This year it fell on Monday.

It is wonderful seeing all veterans who served in the past. Some served in wartime and others in peacetime. When in public and wearing something identifying them as a veteran may get a response of "Thank you for your service." Although veterans appreciate the recognition, many feel it was an "Honor to serve."

Tom Foreman brought his facility, with Patrol placards displayed. Accompanying Tom was Jeff Vail, Skip Nunweiler and Emmanuel Ugono.

It was a beautiful comfortable day hovering around 60° for those in the parade and those along the route viewing the procession. It started on N. Pennsylvania St.



Jeff Vail, Emmanuel Ugono, Tom Foreman, Skip Nunweiler
(photo by: member of the U.S. Army)



Tom Foreman's Pickup Towing Facility
(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

and went south to E. New York St. and turned west until reaching N Meridian

St. going north past the reviewing stand where the read the script explaining the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and completing near E. 9th St.

We enjoy the participation of our Division I of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary in the parade or any community activities. This was one of many this year and look forward to more in the future.



Tom and Jeff Making Plans
(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)



Looking South on Pennsylvania St.
(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)

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**Another Picture of Those
Attending**
(photo by: Dave Owens)



Division One

Holiday Party

This year our Holiday Party was at VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars) Post 10003 in Carmel, IN located at 12863 Old Meridian St. with Social Hour starting at 1800 and dinner at 1900 on 7 December 2024. We ordered off the menu and the food was delicious. This will also be the location of our Change of Watch on 11 January 2025. That will be a buffet setup for us.

This was a casual dining experience for all four (4) Flotillas in Division I. Division Commander (DCDR) Michael Richardt led those attending.

It was wonderful having all together with spouses and friends. DCDR Michael Richardt chose Saturday 7 December 2024 for their ability to use cash or credit cards. The VFW Commander is a former U.S. Coast Guard Commander.

Certificates of Appreciation plaques were presented by Division I DCDR Michael Richardt and Flotilla 1-9 FC Mark Lambert to PDCDR Tom Foreman, Jeff Vail, Eric Wiseley and Skip Nunweiler.

This was an excellent evening to relax and know our members on a social basis. This annual event is great for our comradery. The VFW is a great place for the Holiday Party and will be for Division I Change of Watch.



Overall Picture of the Holiday Party
(photo by: Doug Jave)



Chaplain Dave Owens and Doug Jave
(photo by: Skip Nunweiler)



**Plaque Presentation to Tom Foreman by DCDR
Michael Richardt**
(photo by: Walt Guntharp)